

City Council
Transportation
Subcommittee
Meeting Minutes

Date/Time: Thursday, October 27, 2005

Where: Milpitas City Hall, Committee Conference Room

Attendants: Mayor Jose Esteves, Vice Mayor Armando Gomez, Greg Armendariz, Janice Nadal, Joe Oliva, Jaime Rodriguez, Tom Williams

1. Call to Order

- The Transportation Subcommittee (Subcommittee) meeting was called to order at 5:35 pm.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Public Forum

There were no members in the audience

4. Approval of September Meeting Minutes*

- The Transportation Subcommittee approved the September meeting minutes.
M/S Gomez/Esteves

5. Speed Surveys- Calaveras Boulevard

- City Staff Jaime Rodriguez provided the Subcommittee with a report on the Speed Zone Study for East Calaveras Boulevard/Road. As required by the California Vehicle Code, the City is required to keep surveys current to within seven years, however the City practice is to survey every five years.
- Currently there are 3 existing speed zone segments existing posted speed limit on Calaveras Blvd as defined by the City Municipal Code:
 - Sinclair Freeway (I-680) to Dempsey Way- 35 mph
 - Dempsey Way to Temple Drive- 35 mph
 - Temple Drive to East Milpitas City Limits- 30 mph
- After the Traffic Engineering survey, data reveals the following speed zone segments in practice with the existing posted speed limit
 - Sinclair Freeway (I-680) to Temple Drive- 35 mph
 - Temple Drive to Evans Road-Piedmont Road- 30 mph
 - Evans Road-Piedmont Road to Downing Road- 30 mph
 - Downing Road to East Milpitas City Limits- 30 mph
- RECOMMENDATION
 - As described in the Memorandum, staff recommends the following new speed zone boundaries and speed limits to be consistent with current traffic patterns on Calaveras Boulevard:
 - Sinclair Freeway (I-680) to Evans Road/Piedmont Road- 35 mph
 - Evans Road/Piedmont Road to Downing Road- 35 mph
 - Downing Road to East City Limits- 35 mph
- ACTION
 - The Transportation Subcommittee approved staff recommendation for speed zone boundaries.

6. Clean and Safe Streets Program

- City Staff Jaime Rodriguez presented a list of “brainstormed” programs for the Clean and Safe Streets Program. The purpose is to provide the Transportation Subcommittee with a set of potential programs, then come back to the Subcommittee with costs associated with each program.
- The following projects were reviewed:
 - High Visibility Crosswalks
 - Mid-Block Crosswalks
 - JFS Tech Flashing Beacon Systems
 - Pedestrian Countdown Signals
 - Vehicle Speed Feedback Signs
 - Handicap Parking in Residential Neighborhoods
 - Double-Fine Zone on Suggested Routes to School
 - School Zone Signage Standards- MUTCD California Supplement
 - Crash Database Analysis
 - Bicycle Projects
 - Traffic Signal Pedestrian Crossing Times
 - ADA-Compliant Pedestrian Ramps
 - Pedestrian Pushbuttons
- Staff will pursue grants for Suggested Routes to School public outreach.
- Phase 2 will be brought to the Council as informational at a future date.

7. BART Status

- Staff Greg Armendariz provided an updated on the BART status.
- Based on a meeting with the VTA, staff reviewed the increased cost estimate of the BART project.
- In the future months, staff will be reviewing the
- Funding is a \$4.7 billion dollar project in 2005 dollars, if built 5-10 years from now, the cost will be escalated.
- Mr. Armendariz reviewed the existing alternatives in Milpitas for BART-
 - Dixon Landing Road underneath the BART tracks or Dixon Landing Road at-grade with the BART tracks
 - Montague Station- the VTA’s value engineering presented 4 different BART alignment options- 2 BART retained trench options as well as 2 BART aerial track options.
 - Mr. Armendariz and Mr. Oliva shared the different design options and the opportunity for Transit Oriented Development (TOD). The design layout options both feature an extension of Milpitas Boulevard through the new BART station connecting to Capitol Avenue.
 - Mr. Oliva stated staff has reviewed the different station design options during the BART EIR/EIS phase.
- RECOMMENDATION
 - Mr. Armendariz is requesting from the Subcommittee to provide a full informational presentation to the Subcommittee, in the upcoming meetings, to provide input and direction for the Council.

- The Transportation Subcommittee requested the BART presentation to the Subcommittee in the following meetings.

8. Transportation Subcommittee Scope

- Staff Joe Oliva requested from the Transportation Subcommittee the topics for discussion at the meetings
 - Historically, the purpose of the Subcommittee meetings was to discuss regional projects and Milpitas' participation
 - Currently, the projects have been geared towards local traffic engineering projects
- ACTION- The Transportation Subcommittee prefers the local projects and then any regional projects to be discussed in that priority.

9. Other Business

All items under "Other Business" are for information and updates only. City staff will follow up on these items and possibly agendize for future meetings.

- *Staffing Changes*
 - Staff Greg Armendariz and Tom Williams announced that Transportation Planning staff will be moved from the Planning and Neighborhood Services Department to Engineering. The staff moving will be Principal Transportation Planner Joe Oliva and Assistant Transportation Planner Janice Nadal

10. Set Time and Date for Next Meeting- Thursday, January 26, 2006

11. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm.